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Committee: General Affairs

A BILL

- 1 FOR AN ACT relating to the State Electrical Board; to amend section
- 2 81-2104, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1998; to change
- 3 provisions relating to standards; to repeal the original
- 4 section; and to declare an emergency.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 81-2104, Revised Statutes Supplement,
2 1998, is amended to read:

3 81-2104. The board shall have power to:

4 (1) Elect its own officers;

5 (2) Engage and fix the compensation of such officers,
6 inspectors, and employees as may be required in the performance of
7 its duties;

8 (3) Pay such other expenses as may be necessary in the
9 performance of its duties;

10 (4) Provide upon request such additional voluntary
11 inspections and reviews as it deems appropriate;

12 (5) Adopt, promulgate, and revise rules and regulations
13 necessary to enable it to carry into effect the State Electrical
14 Act. In adopting and promulgating such rules and regulations, the
15 board shall be governed by the minimum standards set forth in the
16 National Electrical Code issued and adopted by the National Fire
17 Protection Association in ~~1996~~ 1999, Publication Number ~~70-1996~~
18 70-1999, which code shall be filed in the offices of the Secretary
19 of State and the board and shall be a public record. The board
20 shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations establishing
21 wiring standards which protect public safety and health and
22 property and which shall apply to all electrical wiring installed
23 by licensees;

24 (6) Revoke, suspend, or refuse to renew any license or
25 registration granted pursuant to the State Electrical Act when the
26 licensee or registrant (a) violates any provision of the National
27 Electrical Code as adopted pursuant to subdivision (5) of this
28 section, the act, or any rule or regulation adopted and promulgated

1 pursuant to the act, (b) fails or refuses to pay any examination,
2 registration, or license renewal fee required by law, (c) is an
3 electrical contractor or master electrician and fails or refuses to
4 provide and keep in force a public liability insurance policy as
5 required by the board, or (d) violates any political subdivision's
6 approved inspection ordinances;

7 (7) Order disconnection of power to any electrical
8 installation that is proximately dangerous to health and property;

9 (8) Order removal of electrical wiring and apparatus from
10 premises when such wiring and apparatus is proximately dangerous to
11 health and property;

12 (9) Investigate, for the purpose of identifying dangerous
13 electrical wiring or violations of the National Electrical Code as
14 adopted pursuant to subdivision (5) of this section, any death by
15 electrocution that occurs within the State of Nebraska;

16 (10) Refuse to renew any license granted pursuant to the
17 act when the licensee fails to submit evidence of completing the
18 continuing education requirements under section 81-2117.01;

19 (11) Provide for the amount and collection of fees for
20 inspection and other services;

21 (12) Adopt a seal, and the executive secretary shall have
22 the care and custody thereof; and

23 (13) Enforce the provisions of the National Electrical
24 Code as adopted pursuant to subdivision (5) of this section.

25 Sec. 2. Original section 81-2104, Revised Statutes
26 Supplement, 1998, is repealed.

27 Sec. 3. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
28 when passed and approved according to law.